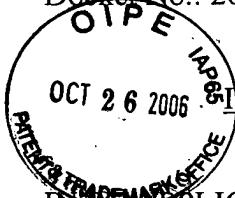


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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 30, 2006, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this response.

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Support for the Amendments begin on page 8 of this response.

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